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TAGS: OVIP (MONDALE, WALTER F.) SUBJECT: VICE PRESIDENT'S VISIT

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1. RTG DELIGHTED TO LEARN VICE PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO BE RESCHEDULED IN EARLY MAY. DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF PROTOCOL SALLAH INDICATED DATES MAY 4 AND 5 ACCEPTABLE, SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION FROM PRIME MINISTER AND ROYAL PALACE. SINCE MAY 5 IS CORONATION DAY, HE INDICATED VICE PRESIDENT'S SCHEDULE WOULD HAVE TO BE COORDINATED SO AS NOT TO CONFLICT WITH RITES SCHEDULED FOR THAT DATE. DEPUTY CHIEF OF PROTOCOL INDICATED HE WOULD IMMEDIATELY GET IN TOUCH WITH PALACE ON THIS. HE FURTHER SUGGESTED IF VICE PRESIDENT'S ARRIVAL COULD BE MOVED UP SLIGHTLY, CALLS ON KING AND PRIMIN COULD BE ACCOMPLISHED MAY 4, LEAVING MAY 5 FREE FOR OTHER ACTIVITIES.

2. WE DO STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT VICE PRESIDENT'S ARRIVAL ON MAY 4 BE MOVED UP TO 1400. IF THIS WERE DONE WE COULD PROCEED ALONG LINES EARLIER SCHEDULE WORKED OUT CONFIDENTIAL

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WITH THAI. MAY 4 SCHEDULE COULD BE AS FOLLOWS:

1400 ARRIVAL. VICE PRESIDENT IS MET BY PRIME MINISTER AND OTHER RTG DIGNITARIES. ARRIVAL CEREMONY TO INCLUDE RANKING GUESTS AND DIPLOMATIC CORPS.

1430 DEPART AIRPORT FOR GOVERNMENT HOUSE

1500 MEET WITH PRIME MINISTER

1630 AUDIENCE WITH KING AND QUEEN

2000 DINNER IN HONOR OF VICE PRESIDENT AND MRS. MONDALE BY PRIME MINISTER

3. ON FRIDAY MAY 5 WE WOULD ENVISAGE A PROGRAM INVOLVING VISIT TO DINJ DAENG REFUGEE CENTER, FOLLOWED BY A VISIT TO MAJOR THAI HISTORICAL SITE. VICE PRESIDENT COULD THEN HAVE 1130 PRESS CONFERENCE AT HOTEL AND AMBASSADOR AND MRS. WHITEHOUSE WOULD HAVE LUNCHEON AT RESIDENCE TO INCLUDE WIDE SPECTRUM OF THAI OFFICIAL AND CIVILIAN PERSONAGES. SCHEDULE ON MAY 5 WOULD TENTATIVELY GO AS FOLLOWS:

 $0840\,$ Leave hotel for din daeng refugee transit center

0900-0930 VISIT TRANSIT CENTER

0930 DEPART DIN DAENG REFUGEE TRANSIT CENTER FOR VIST TO SELECTED HISTORICAL SITES IN BANGKOK

1100 RETURN TO HOTEL CONFIDENTIAL

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1130 PRESS CONFERENCE AT HOTEL

1245 LUNCHEON BY AMBASSADOR AND MRS. WHITEHOUSE IN HONOR OF VICE PRESIDENT AND MRS. MONDALE (GUEST LIST WOULD INCLUDE SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM ACADEMIC, SOCIAL, LABOR AND BUSINESS CIRCLES.)

1415 DEAPRT RESIDENCE FOR AIRPORT

1445 AIRPORT DEPARTURE CEREMONY

1500 DEPART FOR JAKARTA

- 4. AFTER GETTING CLEARER PICTURE OF MAY 5 ACTIVITIES, WE WILL FORWARD SHORTLY DETAILED SUGGESTED SCHEDULE FOR VICE PRESIDENT AS WELL AS SEPARATE SCHEDULE FOR MRS. MONDALE.
- 5. ACTION REQUESTED: CONFIRMATION THAT VICE PRESIDENT'S ARRIVAL COULD BE MOVED UP TO 1400 HOURS MAY 4.

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